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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Robert G. Taub, Chairman; Mark Acton, Vice Chairman; Tony Hammond; and Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail International Regional Rate Boxes
Contracts 1 (MC2015-31)
Negotiated Service Agreements

Docket No. CP2016-187

ORDER APPROVING MODIFICATION FOUR TO
PRIORITY MAIL INTERNATIONAL REGIONAL RATE BOXES CONTRACTS 1
NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT AND DENYING AS MOOT MOTION FOR
TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued September 25, 2017)

The negotiated service agreement approved in this proceeding (Agreement) is set to expire September 30, 2017.¹ The Postal Service seeks to extend the Agreement

¹ Order No. 4074, Order Approving Modification Three to Priority Mail International Regional Rate Boxes (PMI RRB) Contracts 1 Negotiated Service Agreement and Denying as Moot Motion for Temporary Relief, August 28, 2017, at 2 (extending expiration date to September 30, 2017). *See also* Order Approving Additional Priority Mail International Regional Rate Boxes Contract 1 Negotiated Service Agreement, June 8, 2016, at 5 (approving Agreement with expiration date of June 30, 2017 (Order No. 3362)); Order No. 3984, Order Approving Modification One to Priority Mail International Regional Rate Boxes Contracts 1 and Denying as Moot Motion for Temporary Relief, June 28, 2017, at 2 (extending expiration date to July 31, 2017); Order No. 4014, Order Approving Modification Two to Priority Mail International Regional Rate Boxes Contracts 1 and Denying as Moot Motion for Temporary Relief, July 25, 2017, at 2 (extending expiration date to August 31, 2017).

pursuant to Modification Four executed by the Postal Service and its contract partner.² Modification Four extends the expiration date of the Agreement until October 31, 2017. Motion at 1.

The Postal Service states that it is in the process of negotiating a successor to the Agreement that is the subject of this docket. *Id.* at 2. For this reason, the Postal Service requests an extension to maintain continuity of pricing and other terms and conditions of the agreement. *Id.*

The Commission finds that the extension will not affect the Agreement's ability to comply with 39 U.S.C. § 3633(a). Extending the Agreement is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person. Consequently, the Commission reaffirms its findings in Order No. 3362 and approves Modification Four. The Agreement, as modified, is authorized to continue through October 31, 2017. Accordingly, the Motion for Temporary Relief is denied as moot.

It is ordered:

- 1. The Agreement, as modified, is authorized to continue through October 31, 2017.
- 2. The Postal Service's Motion for Temporary Relief is denied as moot.

By the Commission.

Stacy L. Ruble Secretary

² See Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief and Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Modification Four to Priority Mail International Regional Rate Boxes Contracts 1 Negotiated Service Agreement, September 22, 2017 (Motion). The modification is attached to the Motion as Attachment 1 (Modification Four).